

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: June 19, 2007
POSITION: Oppose
SPONSOR: California Association of Physician Groups

BILL NUMBER: SB 764
AUTHOR: C. Migden
RELATED BILLS: SB 139

BILL SUMMARY

This bill would require the Medical Board of California and the Osteopathic Medical Board of California (OMBC) to provide information on individual board licentiates to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) upon request. This bill also would require the OSHPD to prepare and provide to the Legislature and the State Department of Health Care Services by June 1, 2009 a report that includes a 5-year projection of the full time, practicing primary care physician and surgeon workforce in the state.

FISCAL SUMMARY

The OSHPD estimates this bill would cost \$75,000 in 2008-09 for report development. The California Health Data and Planning Fund is expected to have a reserve of \$10 million by the end of 2007-08.

The Medical Board indicates that there would be no additional cost to submit the required data to the OSHPD. The OMBC estimates the costs would be \$90,000 in 2007-08 and \$83,000 in 2008-09 from the Osteopathic Medical Board Contingent Fund for one additional Associate Governmental Program Analyst. However, this estimate is based on the assumption that the bill would require the OMBC to conduct statewide data gathering, while the bill merely requires the OMBC to provide existing data on the number of board licentiates. Finance estimates additional costs to the OMBC to furnish this data actually would be minimal and absorbable.

COMMENTS

Finance is opposed to this bill for the following reasons:

- This bill is unnecessary. The OSHPD can conduct the study and the report without legislation. The Medical Board currently collects information regarding its licentiates, and existing law already authorizes the information to be provided to the OSHPD.
- This bill would result in additional costs of \$75,000 for the OSHPD.

This report is intended to provide policy makers with a forecast regarding the full-time, practicing primary care physician and surgeon workforce in the state for use in addressing geographic gaps in health care provided by these physicians and surgeons.

This bill would require the OSHPD in preparing the report to consider the demographic changes, immigration trends, impacts of health care reforms on the physician and surgeon workforce, number of medical school graduates, ratio of primary physicians and surgeons to the state population, population growth, changes among Medi-Cal providers, age and cultural and linguistic proficiency of physicians and surgeons, and geographic gaps in the distribution of doctors.

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Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	CO	PROP							Fund
	RV	98	FC	2006-2007	FC	2007-2008	FC	2008-2009	Code
4140/Stwd Hth Pln	SO	No		--		--	C	\$75	0143
1380/Medical Bd	SO	No		-----	No/Minor Fiscal Impact	-----			0758
1485/Osteo Med Bd	SO	No		-----	No/Minor Fiscal Impact	-----			0264

<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>
0143	Health Data & Planning Fund, CA
0264	Osteopathic Medical Bd of Calif Contn Fd
0758	Contingent Fd of the Medical Board of CA